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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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KUALA LUMPUR FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EAID, LA, US

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR NEGOTIATIONS FOR NEW AID AGREEMENT

1. AT HIS REQUEST I CALLED ON SOMCHIT PHILATHIVONG, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND COOPERATION AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AT 4:00 P.M. THIS AFTERNOON, MAY 29. SOMCHIT SAID HE HAD INVITED ME AT THE DIRECTION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER. THROUGHOUT THE MEETING SOMCHIT MANIFESTLY SOUGHT TO HEW TO HIS INSTRUCTIONS BUT FELT HIMSELF RATHER UNCERTAIN.

2. HE SAID THAT THE MINISTER DESIRED TO UNDERTAKE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FUTURE OF AID AND FOR THIS PURPOSE HAD PREPARED A PRELIMINARY DRAFT AGREEMENT OF ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS. (THIS WILL BE TRANSLATED AND SENT TO CONFIDENTIAL

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THE DEPARTMENT TOMORROW.)

3. I MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS TO SOMCHIT. I SAID
THAT WE WERE ALWAYS PREPARED TO DISCUSS ANY SUBJECT
THAT THE PGNU DESIRED. WE WERE PREPARED TO CONSIDER
THEIR SPECIFIC IDEAS ON THE MATTER AT HAND. SO FAR
THE MINISTER HAD GIVEN ME ONLY AN OUTLINE OF THE
PGNU'S THINKING AND I HAD RECEIVED NO SPECIFIC RE-
QUESTS TO CONSIDER. FOR INSTANCE, I HAD ALWAYS MADE
CLEAR TO THE MINISTER THAT WE HAD HAD FOR OVER THIRTY
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